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Madison, Wisconsin -- Erik C. Peterson, United States Attorney for the Western District of Wisconsin, announced that Teresa Sanchez, 59, of Jefferson, Wisconsin, was sentenced today by U.S. District Judge Barbara B. Crabb to three years of probation, with six months of home confinement, for bankruptcy fraud. Sanchez pleaded guilty to the offense on February 6, 2007.

When Sanchez filed for bankruptcy in September 2005, she intentionally failed to disclose the existence of \$44,000 she received from a real estate transaction in August 2005. She failed to disclose the asset in an attempt to hide the money from her creditors during bankruptcy.

The charge against Sanchez was the result of an investigation conducted by the Federal Bureau of Investigation. The prosecution of the case has been handled by Assistant U.S. Attorney Meredith Duchemin.

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